

## **A. Disney Career Start Program**

### **Information Sessions:**

**1. St. Louis:** Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm  
St. Louis Comm. College – Forest Park Campus in Highlander's Lounge

**2. Kansas City:** Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 pm  
Metropolitan Community Colleges – Penn Valley Campus in Campus Center #503

Anne Thiese, recruiter for Walt Disney World for the state of Missouri, will be hosting two workshops in the near future on an internship opportunity for near and recent graduates. Walt Disney World Resorts are looking for students that are either graduating this December or have graduated since May 2005 to complete an internship beginning in January 2007. If you know of students that haven't quite found their niche since graduation, they might want to consider the **Career Start program**.

Participants in the Disney Career Start Program will work in a front-line role at the *Walt Disney World Resort*; live in a secure, multicultural environment; and have the opportunity to:

- Earn real-world experience with a respected *Fortune* 100 company that maintains a reputation for excellence

- Build transferable skills, such as problem solving, written and verbal communication, time management, personal empowerment, relationship building, self-confidence, responsibility and cultural sensitivity, which will be invaluable in any future job these students hold

- Network with leaders and meet executives in a wide variety of businesses

- Take part in personal- and career-development classes designed to help you identify their strengths and interests

- Meet people from around the globe

- Enjoy the privileges of being a Cast Member at the *Walt Disney World Resort*, including free theme park admission and discounts that cover resorts, merchandise and more

Please inform your students of the exciting opportunity. For more information, check out the website at: [www.disneycareerstart.com](http://www.disneycareerstart.com)

## **B. POSSIBLE SOURCE OF HEALTHCARE**

If you have a child whose family is considering treatment with an antipsychotic medication, the Washington University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry and St. Louis Children's Hospital would like you to know about a Children's Health Care Study as an option to receive additional medical care.

Dr. John Newcomer, MD at the Washington University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry and Dr. Richard Todd, MD at St. Louis Children's Hospital, recently received funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to conduct a Child Health Care Study. The purpose of The Child Health Care Study is to research the safety of antipsychotic treatments in children ages 7-18, specifically children with disorders like autism, PDD, and Asperger's Syndrome.

Please contact Martha Hessler, at (314) 362-2423 or (888)363-2423 or email her at [hesslema@psychiatry.wustl.edu](mailto:hesslema@psychiatry.wustl.edu). You can also check their website at [www.childhealthstudy.org](http://www.childhealthstudy.org) for details and to download their brochure.

## **C. SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**

Please forward this message to the counselor (s) working with scholarship applications for your high school seniors.

The MO Show-Me Chapter of the Soil & Water Conservation Society is pleased to announce that 2 scholarships will be awarded for the 2007 school year. Scholarship amounts have increased for 2007. **First place winner will receive \$2000 and second place winner will receive \$1,000.** Students planning to attend an accredited college or university and pursue a career in agriculture, conservation, environment or other related fields are encouraged to apply. **Application deadline is Monday, November 27, 2006.**

All application materials and instructions for the "SWCS Show-Me Chapter Scholarships" can be downloaded from the SWCS web site at <http://swcs.missouri.edu> Scholarships are payable to the institution the student will attend in the fall 2007 semester.

Check for information about other related scholarships on this site, too.

Questions and applications should be directed to: Beverly Maltsberger , SWCS Scholarship Selection Chair,  
Community Development Specialist  
Buchanan County Extension Center , 4125 Mitchell Avenue , St Joseph, MO 64507  
Phone: 816-279-1691 Fax: 816-279-3982 , email: [maltsbergerb@missouri.edu](mailto:maltsbergerb@missouri.edu)

## **D. REGISTRATIONS STILL BEING ACCEPTED!!!!**

A workshop will be held on Thursday October 26, from 9-3 concerning Project Lead The Way.

**Cost: \$30 per participant** (Students are free)

**Cost Covers:** Materials, Continental breakfast, breaks, lunch buffet

**For More Information/Registration:** Diane Hagni--Center for Pre-College Programs, 211B ERL  
University of Missouri-Rolla, Rolla, MO 65409-0420 Phone: (573) 341-4228, FAX: (573) 341-4174, Email:  
[hagnid@umr.edu](mailto:hagnid@umr.edu)

## **E. PRE-CONFERENCE FOR COUNSELORS AVAILABLE AT ACTE**

If you are planning to attend ACTE in Atlanta, we would like to invite you to the Pre-conference session hosted by the National Consortium for State Guidance Leadership, National Career Assessment Services, Inc. and Walt Disney Theme Parks

The theme of the conference is: *Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Enhances Student Success  
Increasing a School's Graduation Rate*

Three nationally known leaders in the field of school counseling will be leading the workshop: Dr. Norman Gysbers, University of Missouri-Columbia; Dr. Cal Crow, Center for Learning Connections; and Judy Petersen, Granite School District – Salt Lake City, Utah

The workshop will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2006 from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Atlanta World Congress Convention Center – Room B 304

Goals of the workshop:

- Improve student achievement and increase graduation rates.
- Be major players in No Child Left Behind and other education improvement initiatives.
- Become leaders in putting theory and plans into practice.
- Create state-of-the-art career planning programs

The registration form can be accessed at the Guidance and Placement Section of DESE's Website:  
[http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/guidance\\_placement\\_index.htm](http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/guidance_placement_index.htm)

Hope to see you there.

## **F. OPERATION: MILITARY KIDS READY, SET, GO TRAINING COMING TO YOUR AREA!**

**Locations:** St. Louis-Jefferson Barracks, Jefferson City-Ike Skelton Training Center, Cape Girardeau-NG Armory, and St. Joseph-Air NG

**10:00 – 3:00 on November 15, 2006**

Participants will:

- Gain an understanding of the military deployment process.
- Explore issues that arise because of deployment of a loved one.
- Receive an implementation tool kit to help create a network of support for youth.

**Registrations due November 5. For registration information and/or a form, Contact Joan Zeller at [zellerc@missouri.edu](mailto:zellerc@missouri.edu)**